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DEPT PLEASE PASS HEW FOR PETER BELL AND ROBERT FISCHER

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SUBJ: VISIT OF HEW SECRETARY CALIFANO TO USSR

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1. IN MEETING WITH DR. AVETIS A. ASATURIAN, CHIEF OF  
FOREIGN RELATIONS SECTION OF CITY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
IN LENINGRAD ON MAY 13, CALIFANO ADVANCE PARTY MEMBERS  
PETER BELL AND DR. ROBERT FISCHER WORKED OUT FOLLOWING  
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR FORTHCOMING CALIFANO VISIT. SOVIET  
SIDE ACCEPTS SCHEDULE IN PRINCIPAL BUT BELL, OF COURSE,  
EMPHASIZED THAT IT IS STILL STRICTLY TENTATIVE  
SUBJECT TO DECISION ON NUMBER OF REMAINING QUESTIONS AND  
FINAL CONFIRMATION BY SECRETARY CALIFANO.

### 2. TENTATIVE PROGRAM

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

1915 ARRIVE LATE AFTERNOON FROM MOSCOW.

1930- VISIT TO MONUMENT OF THE HEROIC DEFENDERS OF  
1950 LENINGRAD ON VICTORY SQUARE. SECRETARY CALIFANO  
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LAYS BOUQUET.

2005 SECRETARY CALIFANO HOUSED AT CONSUL GENERAL'S  
RESIDENCE. REMAINDER OF PARTY HOUSED AT HOTEL  
ASTORIA.  
SUNDAY, JUNE 16

0900 VISIT TO THE HEADQUARTERS OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
DEPARTMENT, LENINGRAD, WHERE THERE WILL BE HALF  
HOUR BRIEFING FOLLOWED BY TOUR OF EMERGENCY  
HEALTH CARE FACILITY HOUSED IN SAME BUILDING.

1030 DEPART FOR CITY HALL.

1040 CALL ON CHAIRMAN, CITY SOVIET EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
(MAYOR) LEV ZAYKOV.

1115 DEPART CITY HALL FOR PETER'S SUMMER PALACE AT  
PETRODVORETS (LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 30 KMS. FROM  
LENINGRAD ON SOUTHERN SHORE OF GULF OF FINLAND).  
ON ROUTE TO PETRODVORETS, THERE WILL BE A VISIT  
TO LENINGRAD CHILDREN'S POLYCLINIC AND/OR TO A  
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN VICINITY OF PETRODVORETS.

1245 TOUR OF PETRODVORETS GRAND PALACE.

1330 LUNCH AT RESTAURANT IN VICINITY OF PETRODVORETS.

1500 WALK IN PETRODVORETS' UPPER AND LOWER PARKS  
(WORLD FAMOUS FOR THEIR FOUNTAINS).

1530 RETURN TO LENINGRAD.

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1600 ARRIVE AT HOTEL (REST PERIOD).

1730 VISIT TO THE HERMITAGE (AFTER REGULAR VISITING  
HOURS).

1830 RETURN TO HOTEL.

1915 DEPART FOR EVENING CULTURAL EVENT.

1930 EVENING CULTURAL EVENT.

2230 LIGHT BUFFET DINNER.

1155 DEPART LENINGRAD ON RED ARROW EXPRESS (SLEEPER)  
FOR MOSCOW.

3. A SEPARATE PROGRAM WILL BE WORKED OUT FOR TWO CALIFANO  
BOYS DURING VISIT OF SECRETARY AND PARTY TO CITY PUBLIC  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, AND CHILDREN'S POLYCLINIC  
OR HOSPITAL EN ROUTE TO PETRODVORETS. WE  
WOULD ENVISAGE SIGHTSEEING TRIP INCLUDING PETER AND  
PAUL FORTRESS AND CENTRAL STADIUM, AND IF WEATHER IS GOOD,  
CANAL BOAT TRIP THROUGH LENINGRAD'S DOWNTOWN CANALS AND

WATERWAYS FOLLOWED BY HYDROFOIL TRIP TO PETRODVORETS TO JOIN UP WITH MAIN PARTY FOR LUNCH. IN EVENING BOYS MAY PREFER CIRCUS TO BALLET. WE CAN ARRANGE TO HAVE BOYS SEPARATELY ACCOMPANIED TO THIS EVENT.

4. THE FOLLOWING MATTERS RAISED BY PETER BELL ARE SUBMITTED FOR HEW'S FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND GUIDANCE.

A. ACCOMMODATIONS: CONSUL GENERAL WILL BE VERY PLEASED

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IF SECRETARY AND MRS. CALIFANO AND TWO CHILDREN, WOULD STAY AT HIS RESIDENCE. REMAINDER OF PARTY WILL BE HOUSED AT ASTORIA HOTEL LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN LENINGRAD. EXECUTIVE OFFICER THOMAS JOHNS IS ALSO WELCOME TO STAY AT RESIDENCE.

B. CULTURAL PROGRAM: AT TIME OF VISIT, LENINGRAD CULTURAL SEASON WILL BE BEGINNING TO CLOSE DOWN FOR SUMMER AND SELECTION OF CULTURAL POSSIBILITIES ACCORDINGLY ARE MUCH CIRCUMSCRIBED OVER NORMAL WINTER PROGRAM. MALIY THEATER WILL BE ON TOUR. HOWEVER, WORLD FAMOUS KIROV WILL BE PRESENTING BALLET, "BAYADERKA" (A BALLET ON ORIENTAL THEME WITH MUSIC BY MINKUS WHICH IS CONSIDERED CLASSIC BY LENINGRADERS). KIROV BALLET IS EXTRAORDINARILY FINE AND WE WOULD RECOMMEND ATTENDING BALLET. AS ALTERNATIVES, LENINGRAD CIRCUS WILL BE PERFORMING NORMAL PROGRAM. REMAINDER OF LENINGRAD CULTURAL PROGRAM IS RATHER THIN. THERE WILL BE INTERNATIONAL VARIETY SHOW AT OCTOBER CONCERT HALL, WHICH HOWEVER, WILL FEATURE LATIN AMERICAN SONGS AND IS THEREFORE NOT RECOMMENDED. PHILHARMONIC HALL IS NOT FEATURING CONCERT JUNE 16 ALTHOUGH BYELORUSSIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA WILL PLAY EVENING JUNE 15. PARTY COULD ALSO CONSIDER HAVING DINNER AT INTOURIST RESTAURANT LIKE SADKO, FEATURING BALALAIKA AND FOLK MUSIC OR MORE TYPICAL

RUSSIAN RESTAURANT WITH ORCHESTRA. BUCHANAN

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